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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-1067) DATE: 1/27/70

FROM : SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE

SUBJECT: INVADERS
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On 1/15/70 [redacted] advised SA's HOWELL S. LOWE and WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE as follows:

Former Invader secretary CACHEATUH UNDRE SMITH, who, in the summer of 1969, gave birth to a daughter fathered by Invader Prime Minister LANCE "SWEET WILLIE WINE" WATSON, has become completely disenchanted with the Invaders and with WINE. WATSON has refused to take care of his child, the burden resting on CACHEATUH and her mother with whom she lives in South Memphis near Carver High School. She has been associating socially with a no-good Beale St. character known as JACK BENNY, who plays records at the Blue Stallion, a Negro night club on Beale St., but has become apparently disenchanted with BENNY.

CACHEATUH claims that she now wants to make an honest living and would like to return to her old employment with the South Central Bell Telephone Co. in Memphis but feels that she has such a bad record with said company that they would be reluctant to rehire her; that she has been talking with

1 - 157-1067 (Invaders)
1 - 170-70-Sub [redacted]
1 - 157-1563 [redacted]
1 - 157-1205 (Black Panther Party)
1 - 157-166 (SCLC)
1 - 157-1823 [redacted]
1 - 157- [redacted]
1 - 157-125 [redacted]
1 - 157-1629 [redacted]
1 - 157-2321 [redacted]
1 - 100-4888 [redacted]
1 - 157-1111 [redacted]
1 - 157- [redacted]
1 - 157-1516 (AFSCME)
1 - 157-2114 [redacted]
1 - 157-1578 [redacted]
1 - 157-2269 (Mobilizers, Inc.)
1 - 157-1380 [redacted]
1 - 157-1168 (Racial Situation in Tennessee)
1 - 66-1687-Sub-A (Dissemination)
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representatives of the Memphis PD Community Relations Service, specifically with Det. BEN WHITNEY and that WHITNEY has promised to intercede on her behalf with the phone company in an effort to regain her job.

With regard to WATSON, according to the informant, he is still living with his lieutenant MICHAEL JEROME STARKS at the Trumpet Motel on South Third St. The Invaders, for all practical purposes is a dead organization and is existing in name only and it is what WINE says it is at any given time. WINE stated he was trying to get someone to fund him or subsidize him to go to New York City on or about 1/15/70 to participate in a mass meeting and march there commemorating the birthday of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., wherein certain Negroes, possibly including Black Panthers, would appear at the United Nations to charge that the U. S. Government is engaged in a series of genocidal actions in its treatment of certain blacks in the United States, particularly members of the Black Panther Party.

MICHAEL JEROME STARKS now has a full beard and on 1/13/70 was with TONI VANDERBILT, female Negro, his fiancee from Jackson, Tenn., who in the spring of 1969 attended Sienna College and who, according to informant, is always extremely well dressed, always appears to have plenty of money and is one who is extremely intelligent and extremely conversant with virtually every militant black nationalist group in the United States. Informant stated that he felt that TONI VANDERBILT's activities would bear watching.

Informant added that a public relations man of SCLC, an Atlanta white male, by the name of OFFBERG (phonetic) recently commented that SCLC is extremely hard up financially and has lost any cause or issue which would gain national recognition and the subsequent contribution of funds by various groups, foundations, and individuals and that for this reason the SCLC is beginning to back and support the Black Panther Party which currently is receiving more publicity throughout the news and television media than any other organization.

With regard to JAMES LUTHER BEVEL, recent director of Non-Violent Education, SCLC, last known to be a student at Vanderbilt University, Divinity School, Nashville, Tenn., BEVEL has been recently a close associate of the Mobilizers, Inc., Memphis, Tenn., headed by CORDELL JACKSON and HERMAN L. O'NEIL and that Rev. BEN L. HOOKS, who for several years has been on the national board of SCLC recently commented that BEVEL has weird sexual "hangups" and commented that following the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., former president of SCLC who was killed in Memphis, Tenn., 4/4/68, that BEVEL had gone to Los Angeles, Calif., made a speech in a large church there in which he shocked many of those present by using extreme vulgarities and obscenities in his speech.

With regard to the newly formed Ad-Hoc Committee to investigate police brutality in Memphis formed by the Memphis chapter of the NAACP and consisting of 2 Negro Memphis city councilmen, namely FRED DAVIS and Rev. JAMES L. NETTERS, along with former Criminal Court Judge BEN L. HOOKS, Negro, and former NAACP president JESSE L. TURNER, Negro, as well as city councilman and state legislator J. O. PATTERSON, JR., Negro. Informant stated that this group will definitely push its investigation regarding alleged brutality on the part of the Memphis PD but informant feels that due to the influence of HOOKS and TURNER and FRED DAVIS that it will attempt to be as fair as possible for any all-Negro group and that it will continue its efforts despite the fact that Memphis Police Director FRANK C. HOLLOMAN has stated he has no intention of cooperating with any sort of citizens committee in this regard.

LANCE WATSON appears to be getting all of his money by bumming. He is spending considerable time with LOUELLA JACKSON, female Negro, former student at LeMoyne-Owen College, daughter of prominent Negro bail bondsman HOWARD JACKSON, and informant pointed out that uniquely HOWARD JACKSON has been most lavish with his children, sent one of his daughters to Europe and in all probability will give LOUELLA as much as $50 or $75 a week, much of which will go to LANCE WATSON.

Informant added that recently a Negro told him that a white man who is foreman at the Columbia Mutual Tower Building, also known as Lincoln American Building, Court Ave. at Main St., and who is foreman of the char crew, made up of Negroes,

is carrying a pistol and flaunts it with the Negro help. This was mentioned to MAXINE SMITH, Executive Secretary, NAACP, who indicated that WILLIAM W. GOODMAN, prominent Memphis white attorney and former owner of the American Finishing Co., a multi-millionaire who owns much property in Memphis, and who is the father of WILLIAM WOLF GOODMAN, JR., (former purported SDS member and operator of the hippie clothing store Electric Outlet around 1810 Poplar Ave.) owns this building and that his daughter MARY HOHENBERG, aka Mrs. JULIAN HOHENBERG, would tell her father about this and he would look into it. (It is noted that MALCOLM LEVI, who apparently worked at the Electric Outlet operated by WILLIAM WOLF GOODMAN, JR., has been arrested twice during the week ending 1/17/70 by federal and city authorities on charges of possessing large amounts of marijuana.)

Informant feels that the SCLC which is sponsoring a mass memorial for MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in the north hall of the Auditorium the night of 1/15/70 used poor judgment in renting the north hall, which will seat approximately 6,000 people because there will be very few people in attendance. He pointed out that very few ministers thus far have affiliated with the Memphis chapter of SCLC and that this will never become a mass organization until a large number of Negro ministers affiliate with it. It will primarily be a vehicle through which Local 1733, AFSCME, headed by JESSE EPPS, will exert pressure in an effort to organize industries and governmental agencies in Memphis for EPPS' union.

Informant added that Rev. MALCOM D. BLACKBURN, white male, native of Canada, pastor, Clayborn Temple AME Church, 280 Hernando, and who is prominent in the SCLC as well as the United Black Coalition and who is in the employ of Local 1733, is extremely close to Father WILLIAM GREENSPUN of St. Patrick's Church on Linden Ave., Memphis. [redacted] BLACKBURN has taken recent trips with GREENSPUN, for example they claim to have recently traveled to the state of Connecticut to allegedly attend the wedding of GREENSPUN's aged father.

Informant added that on or about 1/13/70 two members of the Mobilizers, Inc., Memphis, Tenn., WILLIAM DOUG RUBIN, who has recently been released from Collins Chapel Hospital after suffering from an automobile accident and who is still wearing a neck collar known as a "whiplash collar" and TOM NELSON and another small unidentified Mobilizer were in the

Tri-State Bank, a Negro institution in Memphis, opening an account ostensibly for the Mobilizers, Inc. Informant was unable to ascertain the exact title of above mentioned bank account.

Informant added that it appears that the AFSCME union, Local 1733, is moving its living headquarters for key members and visitors from the Holiday Inn, Memphis, to the Albert Pick Hotel, a newly constructed hotel just north of the Civic Center in downtown Memphis.

Above information is being disseminated to the Intelligence Bureau of the Memphis, Tenn., PD.